





June, 1974

OUR TOWN

New Appointed Officers of the Town

The following have been appointed by the Selectmen to Town offices for the year 1974: Recycling Committee - Stefan Grotz, replacing Howard Deckelbaum; Roads and Machinery Committee - Alan E. Varney, replacing Robert G. Brown; Board of Health - Matt O. Williams, replacing John S. Pizzichemi; Assistant Election Officer - Margaret Pasche (R), replacing Anne Van Horn Porter; Tree Warden - Harold Greene, replacing Douglas H. Lyman. Two Alternate Registrars of Voters

have also been appointed: Patricia Amstead (D) and Margaret Pasche (R).

Sheldon Fenn Retirement Dinner

On May 21 a dinner was held at the Hillside Restaurant to honor Sheldon Fenn upon his retirement after 40 years of service to the Town as Assessor. 110 persons attended this gala occasion, at which Newman B. Abercrombie was master of ceremonies, his droll wit adding greatly to the occasion. Gifts varying in range from an inscribed cowbell to a chair with the Town Seal were presented to Sheldon Fenn, and the short speeches by various Town officials evoked both laughter and a sense of nostalgia for the many years during which he has served Monterey so well.

Monterey Festival of the Arts

August 8 is designated as opening day for the 1974 Monterey Festival of the Arts, according to co-chairmen, Bette and Norman Seigerman. That evening at eight o'clock the Art Exhibit Reception at the Congregational Church officially begins a series of exciting presentations which, as usual, include some surprises.

One of these is the marionette opera "Philomena and Baucis" by Hayden, captured for us direct from Lincoln Center, New York, by several Monterey residents. Another, an Ice Cream Cabaret with a professional Dixieland Jazz quartet and four-part harmony by the "Sweet Adelines."

Committee chairmen for the 1974 program are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Weber, the Art Exhibit; Zoltan Zantay, the Ice Cream Cabaret; Mr. and Mrs. Allan Steinberg, Crafts Fair and Display; Gerald Hausman, Poetry and Drama Night; Mrs. Adrienne Curtis, Opera Night; Mrs. Maryellen Brown, Monterey "Pops;" Mrs. Georgiana O'Connell, Historical Tour; Mrs. Marie Brallier, Philergians' Benefit; and Dr. Virgil Brallier, Ecumenical Festival Worship Service.

The Festival will run through two successive weekends: August 9, 10 and 11 and August 16, 17 and 18. Individual performance dates are still being worked out by the Committee, and will be posted shortly.

Meanwhile, those interested in serving as hosts and hostesses for the Art Exhibit and the Crafts Display — both to be open each weekend evening, as well as on afternoons during Festival Week — should phone the Webers or the Steinbergs. Their help will be most appreciated.

Meanwhile, too, funds are needed in support of Festival expenses. These, like all other costs nowadays, have zoomed skyward. All 1973 Festival expenses have been paid, thanks to the generosity of Monterey residents, but the books closed at "zero." The 1974 program is starting off without financial resources, and the Committee -- more than ever before -- needs the 100% support of all of us. Checks should be made out to the Monterey Festival of the Arts and sent either to Mrs. Gertrude Gould, Treasurer, or to the Festival itself, Box 232, Monterey.



CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Our Lady of the Hills Chapel in Monterey has been repair and will be open Saturday, June 29, at 7:00 p.m., and thereafter weekly at 7:00 p.m. throughout the summer. People who wish to donate flowers should contact Mrs. Thomas Andrus (528-2044).

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Morning worship at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday: summer schedule. . . . Baptized Notes on May 26: Michelle and Darlene Barrier, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Barrier. . . . The rite of confirmation for Anna Thorn and Michael Thorpe was held on June 2 as part of the Pentecost celebration.

All Church Picnic and Church School Recognition Day -- June 16, 1974 Sunday, June 16, is a "dual purpose day." Although Church School classes are finished, there is to be a recognition day for the students during the morning worship. Then, following the worship, all people in any way related to the church are to gather for a pic-

mic in Bidwell Park. One reason for holding the picnic there is to help residents Monterey realize what a lovely little spot, tucked away from the sight, this is. Swho came to the picnic last year visited Bidwell Park for the first time and were sur prised at its peace and beauty.

Currently the steps to the east entrance of the church are being reImprovements placed. By the time this is in print, the foundation under the "organ building" at the back of the church may be installed. The trustees have under a consideration painting the interior of the sanctuary. All this is part of a "fresh look" that can be detected around the church building.

WINGS ARE REQUIRED

Spirit, consider how the airman's flying
Was once a dangerous dream and viewed with doubt,
But now, achieved, it is an underlying
Safety that we dare not do without.

A snail can dwell in twilight sloth forever,
But Man achieved a mind, white-winged with light.
Thereby are all things changing. There is never
Any turning back again from flight.

Margery Mansfield

BEQUEST

What shall we give our children, Our eager, grave-eyed children, Which fruits of wisdom's harvest, Warm-ripened by the years?

Let us give them laughter,

A legacy of laughter,

That they may go bright-girded

Through their own vale of tears.

Patricia Howard

LIFE AS CREATION

What You See is What You Get, or What You See Is What You Create

As the title indicates, I am in a playful mood as I start to write this, but let me warn you, I am in dead earnest about this play with words. I am making an assertion. Life itself is an act of creation. All life is a part of the creation process. The more possibility there is for variation in my life form, the more latitude there is for creation. Human beings, therefore, from our point of view, have more room for creative activity than any other form of life we know.

As creatures ourselves, I quickly admit there are limitations on our capacity to create. To fail to remember this is to invite certain disaster. The Greeks called it hubris — our best word for it is <u>pride</u>. Whenever a person gets inflated, unreal notions of his or her creative possibilities, this <u>hubris</u> takes possession and rides one to destruction. My concern today, however, is not to curb the creative drives of a person. The great failing of most of us is to grossly underestimate the extent of our creative activity and capability.

Flip Wilson has a line that keeps appearing on his program. It is the declaration, "What you see is what you get." I would affirm this statement that is repeated again and again in humor. Furthermore, I should like to add to it, "What you see is what you create." It is a commonplace with us to recognize that human beings create vastly different cultures. Western civilization went one direction and Eastern civilization went another. Each created such divergent atmospheres for living that if a person were snatched suddenly from one and placed in the other, that person would experience disprientation. It would seem strange and alien to one's own way of seeing and doing.

If we can recognize that whole cultures can create such different climates out of their own way of seeing, then it follows that the individuals who make up a culture have that capacity within themselves as well.

We see this in families. Here are two families living side by side. One tends to invest its leisure time in racing stock cars. The books and magazines they buy, the friends they seek, the thoughts they think tend to revolve around stock car races. Beside them lives a family that immerses itself in music. The books they spot on the shelf tend to be about music; they don't even see the shelf of books and magazines dealing with stock car racing in the same shop. Indeed, stock car racing is so remote from them that they are only dimly aware it exists. It has no life for them. Truly these two families create starkly different environments out of the differences in what they see as valuable.

The longer I am exposed to life, the more I am driven to recognize the radical creation process in which each of us is engaged. The fearful, paranoid person sees all kinds of persons and situations to put him on guard. And sure enough, his fears prove to be justified. The very things he fears keep happening to him. What he sees he gets. Ah, but let's take it full strength. What he sees he creates. The actions which flow out of his seeing do, in actual fact, begin to draw out of others some of the very things he dreads. Like it or not, he is busy creating a threatening world. Put enough people together who feel that same way and, you'd better believe it, it is a dangerous world. Furthermore, it is dangerous for anyone who steps into it. This kind of creation is for real. There are very few of us who didn't become a part of it in the "cold war" following World War II.

Now, if paranoid thinking can create a dangerous environment for an individual, and if enough paranoid persons together can create a truly dangerous world, is it not possible that a trusting, loving person can begin to create a safe and open environment for himself or herself? And if enough such loving, trusting persons share together, is it not possible that they may begin to create a safe and open world?

Let's be frank about it. Most of us emotionally are still too near the jungle. We are well able to see how the one side of this proposition works. Our experience in the jungle has taught us how it works. We are relatively so inexperienced on the loving, trusting, open side of this proposition that we are afraid it won't work. So we withdraw our investment on the first suspicion that things are breaking down.

Well, when I started writing this I never imagined I was going to revolutionize society. That is a long process and I'm willing to go along with the long haul. But in the meantime, how about your part in creating your own environment? True, you are not all-powerful. There are other persons around you who are doing their creating. You can't dismiss them. But don't dismiss yourself either. It is still true: what you see is what you create. No wonder life should be the with great reverence. For me, believing in God and God and believing in life as creation are proceedings that are closely ties together.

Virgil V. Brallier, Minister Monterey United Church of Christ GIRL SCOUTS



The Cadettes will be attending a training program at Kinnebrook July 1, 2 and 3. The girls Cadettes will be working on skills in fire building, outdoor cooking and setting up tents. The Cadettes will be Camper aides for the new Caravan Camp being planned for this summer at Lake Mansfield in Great Barrington. This will be a day camp for girls in the Southern Berkshire area. Thirty acres of land have been set aside for this purpose. The camp will run for one week: July 8-12.

Badges awarded at the recent Court of Awards were as follows: Susan Andrus - Hiker, Painting, Family Living, Interior Decoration, Homemaker, Swimmer; Betsy Bynack -Food Raiser, Hiker, Family Camper, Swimmer, Animal Kingdom (Birds), Camp Craft, Conservation, Explorer, Family Living, Handywoman, Homemaker, Outdoor Safety, Painting; Kristine Heath - Clerk, Horsewoman, Dressmaker, Hiker, Conservation, Child Care, Food Raiser, Chef, Rock & Minerals, Swimmer, Plant Kingdom (Trees); Gwendolyn O'Connell -Hostess, Hiker, Swimmer, Photography; Andrea Pizzichemi - Hiker, Camp Craft, Family Camper, Food Raiser, Homemaker, Plant Kingdom (Plants), Swimmer; Anna Thorn - Plant Kingdom (Trees), Animal Kingdom (Mammal), Photography, Family Living, Family Camper, Homemaker.

The Juniors will end their meetings with a swim and going out for supper. Badges awarded to the Juniors were as follows: Jill Jenssen - Order of the Arrow, Active Citizen, Cook, Hospitality, Housekeeper, My Camera, Needlecraft, Prints, My Home; Colleen Hastedt - Order of the Star, Active Citizen, Housekeeper, Needlecraft, Pets, Troop Camper; Susan Kickery - Order of the Star, Active Citizen, Troop Camping, Housekeeper, Pets, Needlecraft; Elizabeth Thorn - Order of the Star, Active Citizen, Housekeeper, Needlecraft, Pets, Troop Camper; Alicia Burns - Order of the Arrow, Active Citizen, Cook, Hospitality, Housekeeper, Needlecraft, My Home. A JUNIOR LEADER IS NEEDED FOR NEXT YEAR!

BOY SCOUTS

The Monterey-Otis Boy Scouts will be holding a paper drive on Saturday, June 29. All paper may be left at the town dump shed or will be picked up by calling 528-2548 or 528-2044. Most Scout meetings lately have been games and baseball. The winner of the Eagle plaque was a cat owned by Mrs. Magane or Otis.

CUB SCOUTS

This month was mostly field trips and a baseball game. June 1 the boys went to the Great Trails Council Scout Show at Berkshire Community College. There was much to see and do: eating biscuits cooked on a stick, rabbit, rabbit stew, racoon and ferns; also watching an observation tower built on the ground made from poles lashed together with rope and hoisted up to about 15 feet. Three counties exhibited, from Cubs to Explorer Scouts. All Scouts had tickets to sell for this show. The boys selling 10 tickets received a McDonald certificate -- Richard Andrus and Todd Clark. Those selling 5 tickets received a Showman patch -- Richard Andrus, Todd Clark, Douglas Champigny and Robert Candee. Our last Pack meeting was a picnic on June 7 at Benedict Pond. Fun and games. Awards for Monterey: Joseph Hall - Bear, 1 gold arrow; Robert Candee - Wolf, 1 gold arrow.

4-H

The Monterey Roadrunners held their fourth annual horse show at Gould Farm on May 26. Awards were as follows: 4-H Fitting and Showing - First, Susan Andrus; second, Kristine Heath; third, Susan O'Connor. Open Fitting and Showing - First, Bob Heath; second, Anna Thorn; third, Pat Brett. Lead Line - First, Mary-Theresa Heath; second, Richard Andrus; third, Dennis O'Connor, Jr. Junior West-ern Horsemanship - First, Kristine Heath; second, Susan Andrus; third, Susan O'Connor. Senior Western Horsemanship - First, Bob Heath; second, Pat Brett; third, Pat Andrus. Costume Class - Most Original - First, Kristine Heath; second, Elizabeth Thorn; third, Mary O'Connor. Funniest - First, Susan Andrus; second, Jon Andrus; third, Brien Heath. Prettiest - First, Mary-Theresa Heath; second, Susan O'Connor; third, Peggy O'Connor. D'Connor. English Equitation - First, Susan Andrus; second, Pat Andrus; third, Susan Heath. Open Trail - First, Bob Heath; second, Mary Heath; third, Kristine Heath. Musical Chairs - First, Kristine Heath; second, Pat Andrus; third, Susan Heath. Pole Bending - First, Susan Andrus; second, Bob Heath; third, Frank D'Connor. Pony Express - First, Kristine and Bob Heath; second, Susan and Pat Andrus; third, Peggy and Mary D'Connor. Sit-A-Buck - First, Susan Heath; second, Kristine Heath; third, Pat Brett.

The Lick'em and Stick'em Stamp Club will end their meetings the middle of June. The boys are in the process of making up a stamp out of wood. Stamps

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YOUTH NEWS (continued)

The Monterey Greenthumbs will have Mr. Donald Kelso, our new 4-H agent, speak at our next monthly meeting. He will be talking on proper fertilizers and soil testings. Plans are also being made to have a Junior and Senior vegetable judging team.

NEW MARLBOROUGH_MONTEREY PTA

At the last meeting the following officers were elected for 1974-75: Cynthia Weber, President; Geraldine Goeway, Vice-President; Claudette Callahan, Secretary; Nell MacKenzie, Treasurer. The next meeting will be June 17 at the New Marlborough Central School.

MONTEREY GRANGE #291

The following officers were elected at the June 5 meeting: Master, John Lossin; Overseer, Carl Jespersen; Lecturer, Mary Wallace; Steward, Margaret Cummings; Assistant Steward, James Johnson; Lady Assistant Steward, Alice Shaffer; Chaplain, Ethel Ketchen; Treasurer, Ann Vickerman; Secretary, Eva Jespersen; Gatekeeper, Warren Thomson; Ceres, Esther O'Niel; Pomona, Annette Nelson; Flora, Amy Enoe; Executive Committee, Robert Hardisty; Pianist, Olive McKay.

On June 18 members will meet at the Grange Hall at 7:00 p.m. to go on the annual mystery ride. The Grange will be holding a food sale soon, the date to be announced. On July 17 the Grange will meet at the Grange Hall. The theme of the program will be "Talent Night."

Mary Wallace Lecturer

LADIES' AID

The Ladies' Aid has been meeting regularly at the homes of different persons. On May 3D we met at the home of Mrs. Julius Miner. Her daughter, Mrs. Fred Turner, showed slides of the trip the Turners made with a farm group to various European countries, including Holland, Switzerland, Russia and Czechoslovakia, where they visited farms and people and points of interest, including the Kremlin. The next meeting will be June 20 at Gould Farm.

Helen McKay Secretary

GOULD FARM

The Board of Directors held a regular quarterly meeting at the Farm on Monday, May 27. Fifteen of these good friends came during the weekend, including in their work preliminary committee meetings on the proposed new guest residence, the Farm's financial situation and the therapy program. Because of the heavy current expense of conventional building, it was decided to explore the possibility of using modules for this purpose, as many colleges are now doing. A special meeting of the Directors to hear reports on this study will hopefully be held on July 20.

Nine college students and their leader, Dr. Eugene Clemens, professor of religion at Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, spent three days and two nights at the Farm this May in the new Lodge on the hill back of the Main House. Dr. Clemens knew of Gould Farm through Jeffrey and Susan Miller, who have been working here since early January, under the Brethren Volunteer Service program. The group were making a tour of religiously based communities in the Northeast and came to the Farm after stopping at the Catholic Worker center in Tivoli, New York. They seemed to enjoy living and working here.

Recently a number of younger staff members who have been doing fine work for the Farm as C.O.'s, Brethren Volunteers or regular staff have completed their jobs here and gone on to the next step for each one or each family. Tim and Elizabeth Hazen left May 17 with their month-old baby, Maria, to start life on a farm of their own in Northern Vermont. As a farewell gift from Elizabeth's father, Mr. Carse, the Farm received a Highland cow. She is a large animal, with long horns and a quantity of red hair, and is viewed with surprised interest by anyone criving past the barn field.

On May 31 a lawn party was held at Topside in honor of Henry, Diane and Josh Stewart-Wagoner and Vicki Gohmann, who were leaving, and Bob and Mary Anne Carter, who, with their two boys, had just arrived. The affair was called "The Great Gatsby" evening. Costumes, supposedly resembling those worn in the 1920's had been pulled out of the attic trunks. Dress coats of various sorts were worn with a flair. Attired in one of these, Kent Smith presided at the punch bowl, while Nancy and other ladies floated about in becoming gowns.

Henry Stewart, who preached at the Congregational Church in Monterey a few weeks ago, will be Associate Minister at the church in Lincoln, Massachusetts, starting in September.

Rose McKee

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GETTING NEEDS AND SERVICES TOGETHER: As I hear Monterey talking it strikes me that we have an inadequate system of getting needs and services together. People want things done, but where can they find the persons who are willing and able to do them? On the other hand, there are persons, especially of high school and college age, who have services they would be glad to render, but the question is how to find out those who want what they have to offer. It seems to me we ought to explore whether we can do a better job of matching these services and needs. I would be willing to "mid-wife" an early exploration of this idea.

Do you have a job or jobs you want done? Do you have a service you are able and willing to render? If so to either, why not write it down and mail it to Box 308 Monterey? Virgil V. Brallier

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